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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview 10/7/2005

Type: ☐ Telephonic ☐ Televideo Conference ☒ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☐ applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, brief description:

Agreement ☐ was reached: ☒ was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: 1-8

Identification of prior art discussed: Art. as applied

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

We discussed the combination of the separator with the voltage monitor as being claimed together as compared with claiming a separator. We also discussed adding claims for prosecution which will be considered upon filing of the proposed amendment.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

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